

2002

**FORM
CT-1040EZ
and
ELECTRONIC
FILING
OPTIONS**

Connecticut Income Tax Booklet

Choose your fastest and easiest filing method (see Page T2). This booklet contains:

WEBFILE

- WebFile Eligibility Criteria
- Steps to Electronically File

TELEFILE

- Telefile Eligibility Criteria
- Steps to Electronically File
- Telefile Tax Return
- Telefile Instructions
- Telefile Payment Voucher

Form CT-1040EZ

- Form CT-1040EZ and Instructions
- Form CT-1040 EXT
- Form CT-1040ES
- Tax Tables
- Tax Calculation Schedule

Benefits of WebFile and Telefile:

- Refunds issued in 4 days
- Confidential filing 24 hours a day
- No calculations necessary
- Immediate proof of filing
- Optional direct deposit of refund
- Optional direct payment of tax

Additional tax information is available on our Web site: www.drs.state.ct.us

WEBFILING AND TELEFILING START JANUARY 15, 2003

Dear Customer:

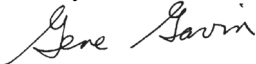
The Department of Revenue Services (DRS) invites you to use Telefile to file your Connecticut income tax return. Filing by telephone is the fastest and simplest method you can use and, if you are due a refund, it will be issued to you in four days. It takes only minutes and you're finished!

Telefile not only saves you time, but also costs us less to get your refund to you. Let us deposit your refund directly into your checking or savings account and save you a trip to the bank. If you owe tax, you have two electronic options to pay your tax due. You may authorize us to withdraw from your bank the amount of tax due at a date you choose (up to April 15, 2003) or use your credit card to receive any rewards that it offers. If you choose not to Telefile, contact DRS for a paper return.

DRS Taxpayer Services personnel can answer questions by phone, letter, or e-mail. Our Web site is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Preview and download Connecticut tax forms, publications, and other information.

Our goal is to provide you with excellent customer service and user-friendly tax administration. I welcome your comments and ideas on how we can improve the way we do business. Please phone, write, or e-mail me through our Web site.

Sincerely,



Gene Gavin
Commissioner of Revenue Services

File by Internet



Use our free, convenient, and secure *WebFile* Program to file your **Form CT-1040, Connecticut Income Tax Return**, over the Internet. No paper return or worksheet is required.

WebFile is an Internet-based program that enables you to use your computer to electronically file your **Form CT-1040**. To learn more about *WebFile*, visit the DRS Web site at:

www.drs.state.ct.us

You are eligible to file your 2002 Connecticut income tax return over the Internet if **all** of the following are true:

- You (and your spouse, if filing a joint return) were a Connecticut resident for the entire 2002 taxable year;
- You filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return;
- Your filing status is the same as last year; **and**
- You are **not** filing **Form CT-8379, Nonobligated Spouse Claim**, with your tax return.

File by Telephone

File your Connecticut income tax return using your touch-tone telephone. It's fast and easy! Just fill in our simple Connecticut Telefile Tax Return.

You are eligible to *Telefile* your 2002 Connecticut income tax return if **all** of the following are true:

- You filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return;
- Your filing status is the same as last year;
- You (and your spouse, if filing a joint return) were a Connecticut resident for the entire 2002 taxable year;
- You have no more than seven W-2 or 1099 forms that show Connecticut income tax withheld;
- Your federal adjusted gross income is \$350,000, or less;
- You did **not** report federally taxable **Social Security Benefits**;
- Your only Connecticut modification to federal adjusted gross income is a federally taxable refund of state and local income taxes;
- You did **not** make estimated Connecticut income tax payments or did **not** have an overpayment applied to the 2002 taxable year;
- You are **not** filing **Form CT-8379, Nonobligated Spouse Claim**, with your tax return;
- You are **not** claiming credit for income taxes paid to a qualifying jurisdiction;
- You do **not** have a federal alternative minimum tax liability; **and**
- You are **not** claiming an adjusted net Connecticut minimum tax credit.

If the label on the back cover of this booklet is not correct, contact the DRS Registration Unit one day prior to Telefiling at: 860-297-4962 (during business hours).

If you are not eligible to *Telefile*, you may qualify for our new *WebFile* Program.

See *File by Internet*, at left.

To obtain a paper return, see *Forms and Publications* on the back cover of this booklet.

Steps to Electronically File

Step 1

Complete your federal income tax return.

Step 2

Find your four-digit Personal Identification Number (PIN). Your PIN is printed on the label located on the back cover of this booklet.

THIS IS
YOUR
PIN

PIN 9999	99
SAMPLE A SAMPLE	99
SAMPLE A SAMPLE	
1234 ANY STREET	
ANYCITY CT 99999-9999	

If you do not know your PIN, the *Telefile* System may be able to provide it to you during your phone call. You must enter last year's federal adjusted gross income to access your PIN. See Page 6, Item 2.

Step 3

Gather all your W-2 and 1099 forms. Generally, you will receive these forms on or before January 31. You will be asked for the Employer Identification Number and Connecticut income tax withheld as shown on this sample W-2.

Enter the number from Box b in Item 7, Column B of the Connecticut Telefile Tax Return.

a Control number 22222	OMB No. 1545-0008
b Employer identification number XX-XXXXXX	1 Wages, tips, other compensation
c Employer's name, address, and ZIP code	2 Federal income tax withheld
d Employee's social security number	3 Social security wages
e Employee's first name and initial	4 Social security tax withheld
f Employee's address and ZIP code	5 Medicare wages and tips
15 State CT	6 Medicare tax withheld
Employer's state ID number	7 Social security tips
16 State wages, tips, etc.	8 Allocated tips
17 State income tax XXX.00	9 Advance EIC payment
18 Local wages, tips, etc.	10 Dependent care benefits
19 Local income tax	11 Nonqualified plans
20 Locality name	12a
	12b
	12c
	12d

Form W-2 Wage and Tax Statement
Copy 1 For State, City, or Local Tax Department
Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service
2002 (Rev. February 2002)

Box 15 - Must show CT to be claimed as Connecticut Withholding.

Enter the amount from Box 17 (in whole dollars) in Item 7, Column C of the Connecticut Telefile Tax Return.

Step 4

Round off all amounts to the nearest whole dollar. Round to the next lowest dollar all amounts that include 1 through 49 cents. Round to the next highest dollar all amounts that include 50 through 99 cents.

Step 5

Expecting a refund? Receive it faster by selecting direct deposit. You will be asked for the routing number and account number as shown on this sample check.

Name of Depositor	Date _____		No. 101
Street Address			
City, State, Zip Code			
Pay to the Order of	\$		
Name of your Bank			
Street Address			
City, State, Zip Code			
092125789	091 025 025413	0101	
Routing Number	Account Number		

Step 6

Expecting to owe tax? There are three options available to pay your Connecticut income tax:

1. Use our **direct payment** system.

Have the amount of tax due automatically withdrawn from your bank account. This option is **only** available at the time of filing.

2. Pay by **credit card**.

After filing, call toll-free: **1-800-2PAY-TAX** (1-800-272-9829); or

Visit: **www.officialpayments.com**

A 2.5% convenience fee will be charged by the credit card service provider.

3. Mail your **check or money order** with the *2002 Payment Voucher*.

Payment is due **on or before April 15, 2003**.

Step 7

File by Telephone. Fill in Items 1 through 10, of the *Connecticut Telefile Tax Return*, before you call the *Telefile* number.

File by Internet. If you are going to file your **Form CT-1040** over the Internet, review these steps, then go to: **www.drs.state.ct.us** to file your tax return.

Step 8

Record the confirmation number that you receive at the end of filing. This number is your official acknowledgment that your Connecticut income tax return has been filed.

Step 9

Keep your completed Connecticut income tax return, W-2 forms, and other tax statements for your records.

Keep this copy of your 2002 Connecticut income tax return for your records.

Connecticut Telefile Tax Return

**2002
Telefile**

Use your telephone to file. Do not mail.

Your Name(s)

Quick Start Checklist!

- Complete Federal Return.
- Fill in Items 1 through 10.
- Call 860-692-9787.

1A. Your Social Security Number - -

1B. Spouse's Social Security Number - -
(If married filing a joint return)

2. Personal Identification Number (PIN)
(Printed on the label on the back cover. If you do not know your PIN, see Page T6.)

3. Filing Status **NOTE:** Your filing status must be the same as your federal income tax filing status for the 2002 taxable year.

Check only one box.

A. Single
 B. Married filing jointly or Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child
 C. Married filing SEPARATELY
 D. Head of household (with qualifying person)

4. Federal Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) from your federal Form 1040EZ, Line 4; Form 1040A, Line 21; Form 1040, Line 35; or TeleFile Tax Record, Line I. **4.** **.00**

5. CHECK THE BOX INDICATING THE FORM USED TO FILE YOUR 2002 FEDERAL RETURN 1040EZ 1040A TeleFile 1040

Refunds of State and Local Income Taxes: Enter "0" in item 5 if your **2002 federal return** is a Form 1040EZ, Form 1040A, or you TeleFiled your federal return. If you filed federal Form 1040, enter the amount reported on federal Form 1040, Line 10. **5.** **.00**

6. Enter the total number of W-2 forms and any 1099 forms showing Connecticut income tax withholding. (Maximum of seven) **6.**

7. Enter the Employer Identification Number and Connecticut income tax withheld for each W-2 form or 1099 form included in Item 6. (See instructions on Page T6)

Column A W-2 or 1099	Column B Employer Identification Number from your W-2 or 1099 Forms								Column C Connecticut Income Tax Withheld
1st	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> .00
2nd	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> .00
3rd	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> .00
4th	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> .00
5th	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> .00
6th	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> .00
7th	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> .00

8. Enter the amount of Property Taxes paid to your town on: (See instructions on Page T6)

Auto 1 **8A** **.00** Auto 2 (If married filing a joint return) **8B** **.00** Primary Residence **8C** **.00**

9. Individual Use Tax Enter the **individual use tax** due if you purchased taxable goods or services and did not pay **Connecticut sales tax** on the purchase. If none enter "0." **9.** **.00**
(See instructions on Page T7)

10. Want your refund directly deposited, or your tax due automatically withdrawn? Fill in Items 10A, 10B, and 10C (and 10D, for direct payment only).

10A. Account Type 1 - Checking 2 - Savings

10B. Routing Number

10C. Account Number

Complete Item 10D only if you want your tax due withdrawn at a future date. (See instructions on Page T7)

10D. Enter the date you want your tax due withdrawn from your account (no later than April 15, 2003). **2 0 0 3**
M M D D

Individual Use Tax Schedule

Complete this schedule if you have a Connecticut individual use tax liability. You owe use tax if you purchased taxable goods or services during the taxable year and did not pay Connecticut sales tax on the purchases. *Individual items* with the purchase price of \$300 or more must be listed separately below. Although you do not need to list separately any individual item with a purchase price of less than \$300, such items are subject to tax and the total of the purchase prices of these items should be reported on Line A. Multiply the sales and use tax rate by the purchase price of the item and enter the result in Column E. You must enter "0" in Item 9 if no Connecticut use tax is due.

COLUMN A	COLUMN B	COLUMN C	COLUMN D	COLUMN E	COLUMN F	COLUMN G
DATE OF PURCHASE	DESCRIPTION OF GOODS OR SERVICES	RETAILER OR SERVICE PROVIDER	PURCHASE PRICE	CT TAX DUE (.06 X Column D)	TAX, IF ANY, PAID TO ANOTHER JURISDICTION	BALANCE DUE (Col. E - Col. F, but not less than zero)
A. TOTAL OF INDIVIDUAL PURCHASES UNDER \$300 NOT LISTED ABOVE						
Total Individual Use Tax: Add amounts in Column G. Enter here and in Item 9 of the <i>Connecticut Telefile Tax Return</i> . See Informational Publication 2002(21), Q & A on the Connecticut Individual Use Tax , for more information.						

Completing the Connecticut Telefile Tax Return

1A. Social Security Number: Enter your Social Security Number.

1B. Spouse's Social Security Number: For a married filing joint return, enter your spouse's Social Security Number.

Important: Enter your Social Security Number and your spouse's Social Security Number in the order in which your names appear on the label on the back of this booklet.

2. Personal Identification Number (PIN): Enter the four-digit PIN that has been assigned to you by DRS. Your PIN is printed on the name and address label on the back cover of this booklet. See sample on page T3.

If you do not know your PIN, you may be able to access it during your telephone call by pressing the star (*) key when prompted for your PIN. You must provide your **2001** federal adjusted gross income from **Form CT-1040EZ** or **Form CT-1040**, Line 1, or *Connecticut Telefile Tax Return*, Item 4.

3. Filing Status: Check the **same** filing status box that you checked on your 2002 **federal** income tax return (*Single, Married Filing Jointly, Married Filing Separately, or Head of Household*).

4. Federal Adjusted Gross Income (AGI): Enter your federal **AGI** from your 2002 **federal** income tax return. This is the amount reported on **federal** Form 1040EZ, Line 4; **federal** Form 1040A, Line 21; **federal** Form 1040, Line 35; or **federal** TeleFile Tax Record, Line I.

5. Refunds of State and Local Income Taxes: Enter the amount of taxable refunds of state and local income taxes that you **reported on Line 10** of your **2002 federal** Form 1040. If Line 10 of your **federal** Form 1040 is blank, or if you filed **federal** Form 1040A, **federal** Form 1040EZ, or telefiled your federal return, **enter "0."**

6. Number of W-2 and 1099 Forms: Enter the total number of W-2s and 1099s that you received for the 2002 taxable year that show **Connecticut income tax withheld**. (Include your spouse's W-2s and 1099s if you are filing a joint return.)

Important: You **may not Telefile** this return if you received **more than seven** W-2 or 1099 forms that show Connecticut income tax withheld.

7. W-2 and 1099 Information: Verify that **Box 15** of each W-2 is **Connecticut income tax withheld**. See sample W-2 on Page T3.

Column B: Enter from each W-2 form the nine-digit Employer Identification Number located in **Box b**. For each 1099, enter the

payer's nine-digit Federal Identification Number. For unemployment compensation, this number is located directly below the address for the Department of Labor. If the number is unclear or missing, contact your employer or payer.

Column C: Enter the income tax withheld for the State of Connecticut as shown on **each** W-2, W-2G, or 1099 form (from Form W-2, **Box 17**; Form W-2G, **Box 14**; Form 1099-R, **Box 10**; Form 1099-MISC, **Box 16**; or Form UC-1099G, **Box 5**).

8. Property Tax Paid:

Auto 1 - Enter the **total** amount of property tax due and paid during 2002 to a Connecticut municipality on your motor vehicle.

Auto 2 - If your filing status is *Married Filing Jointly*, enter the **total** amount of property tax due and paid during 2002 to a Connecticut municipality on your second motor vehicle, if any.

Primary Residence - Enter the **total** amount of property tax due and paid during 2002 to a Connecticut municipality on your primary residence.

You may take credit against your 2002 Connecticut income tax liability for property tax payments that you made on your primary residence and privately owned or leased motor vehicle to a Connecticut political subdivision. Generally, property tax bills that were due and paid during 2002 qualify for this credit. This includes any installment payments that you made during 2002 that were due in 2002 and any installments that you prepaid during 2002 that were due in 2003. Supplemental property tax bills that were due during 2002 or 2003 also qualify if paid during 2002. However, the late payment of any property tax bills or the payment of any interest, fees, or charges related to the property tax bill do not qualify for the credit. The maximum credit allowed is **\$500** per return, regardless of your filing status. If you paid more than \$100 in property tax, your credit may be limited. A husband and wife who file a joint Connecticut income tax return may consider property tax bills for which the husband or wife, or both, are liable.

You may take credit for a leased motor vehicle if you had a written lease agreement for a term of more than one year, and the property tax became due and was paid during 2002 (either by the leasing company or by you). Refer to your January 2003 billing statement from the leasing company in order to determine the amount of property taxes that may be eligible for the credit.

The *Telefile* System will automatically calculate your allowable credit. See **Informational Publication 2002(23)**, *Q&A: Income Tax Credit for Property Taxes Paid to a Connecticut Political Subdivision*.

9. Individual Use Tax: If you purchased taxable goods or services during 2002 and did not pay Connecticut sales tax, complete the *Individual Use Tax Schedule* on Page T6. Generally, this is for purchases made or shipped from outside of Connecticut. Enter the total individual use tax due in Item 9. **If none, enter "0."** See **Informational Publication 2002(21)**, *Q&A on the Connecticut Individual Use Tax*.

10. Direct Deposit or Direct Payment: You can elect to have your refund directly deposited or your tax due automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account.

Expecting a refund? By completing Items 10A, 10B, and 10C, you can have your refund directly deposited into your checking or savings account.

Note: If any of the bank information you supply for direct deposit does not match, a paper check will automatically be issued to you. Some financial institutions do not allow a joint refund to be deposited into an individual account.

Expecting to owe tax? By completing Items 10A, 10B, 10C, and 10D, you can have the funds automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account. See *To Pay by Direct Payment*, below. Before calling *Telefile*, check with your financial institution to make sure that an automatic withdrawal is allowed and to verify the correct routing and account numbers.

Enter your nine-digit bank routing number and your bank account number in Items 10B and 10C. Your bank routing number is the first nine-digit number printed on your check or savings withdrawal slip. Your bank account number generally follows the bank routing number. Do not include the check number as part of your account number. Bank account numbers can be up to 17 digits and must be numeric. See sample check on Page T3.

The Telefile System will provide you with the amounts to enter in Items 11 through 17.

11. Property Tax Credit: This is the amount of credit you are allowed for property taxes that you paid during 2002 on your motor vehicle, primary residence, or both.

12. Total 2002 Connecticut Tax: This is your total Connecticut tax liability which includes individual use tax and property tax credit, if applicable.

13. Total Connecticut Income Tax Withheld: This is the total Connecticut income tax withheld as shown on your W-2, W-2G, and 1099 forms.

14. Tax Due: This is the amount of tax you owe. Pay the amount in full with your return. If the amount you owe is more than \$500, you may be subject to interest on the underpayment of estimated income tax.

You have until April 15, 2003, to pay by direct payment, credit card, check, or money order. The *2002 Connecticut Telefile Payment Voucher* must accompany all payments that are sent by mail.

Payment Options

To Pay by Direct Payment:

Complete Items 10A, 10B, 10C, and 10D. By completing Item 10D, you can request to have the tax you owe withdrawn at a future date, but no later than April 15, 2003. **Direct Payments are accepted only during your Telefile call.**

To Pay by Credit Card:

- Call Official Payments Corporation toll-free at: **1-800-2PAY-TAX** (1-800-272-9829). You will be asked to enter the Connecticut Jurisdiction Code: 1777;

or

- Visit: **www.officialpayments.com** and select *Payment Center*.

A convenience fee will be charged by the credit card service provider. The fee is 2.5% of your total tax payment. You will be informed of the amount of the fee and you may elect to cancel the transaction. At the end of the transaction, you will be given a confirmation number for your records.

Your payment will be effective on the date you make the charge.

To Pay by Mail: Make your check or money order payable to "**Commissioner of Revenue Services**." To ensure proper posting of your payment, write your Social Security Number(s) and "**2002 Telefile**" on the front of your check or money order. Mail the *2002 Connecticut Telefile Payment Voucher* along with your payment to:

**Department of Revenue Services
PO Box 5088
Hartford CT 06102-5088**

Failure to file or failure to pay the proper amount of tax when due **will result in penalty and interest charges.** It is to your advantage to file when your return is due whether or not you are able to make full payment.

15. Overpayment of Tax: If you have an overpayment in Item 15, the *Telefile* System will ask if you would like to contribute all or a portion of the overpayment to one or more of the five designated funds. You may not know if you have overpaid your taxes until you make your *Telefile* call. If you wish to make a contribution, you should be prepared to identify the fund(s) and the amount of your contribution(s).

16. Total Contributions: If you make contributions, the *Telefile* System will total the amount of contributions made to the five designated funds.

17. Refund: This is the amount of your refund. You may choose to have this amount deposited directly into your bank account or have a check mailed to you.

18. PIN Signature: After the *Telefile* System tells you the amount of your refund or how much tax you owe, the *Telefile* System will prompt you to "sign" your return by entering the same PIN that you entered in Item 2. This will become the legal signature for your return.

Important: If you file a joint return, you **must** review the information you entered with your spouse because the PIN serves as the legal signature for both of you. You and your spouse are jointly and severally responsible for paying the full amount of tax, interest, and penalties on your joint return.

19. Confirmation Number: You must stay on the line for your eight-digit confirmation number. After the PIN signature, the *Telefile* System will provide you with a confirmation number. Write this number in Item 19. Once you have this confirmation number, your tax return is filed.

Important: If you have a change or correction to your Connecticut income tax liability after you receive your confirmation number, you must complete **2002 Form CT-1040X**, *Amended Connecticut Income Tax Return and Instructions*.

Keep your Telefile Tax Return, W-2s, and other tax statements for your records.

CONN-TAX

If you have a touch-tone phone, you can obtain important income tax information 24 hours a day from CONN-TAX, the Department's information line. Call **1-800-382-9463** (in-state) or **860-297-5962** (from anywhere), press "1" to be connected to "Income Tax Information Menu," then press "2" to select "Recorded Income Tax Information." Enter the three-digit number next to the topic of your choice shown below, or follow the prerecorded instructions.

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Monday, **January 27** (until 7 p.m.)

Monday, **February 3** (until 7 p.m.)

Monday, **February 10** (until 7 p.m.)

Tuesday, **February 18** (until 7 p.m.)

2003 Extended Telephone Personal Assistance and Walk-in Hours at 25 Sigourney Street, Hartford

Saturday, **April 12** (8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, **April 15** (until 8 p.m.)

2002

FORM

CT-1040

EZ

Connecticut Resident EZ Income Tax Return

This section contains:

- Form CT-1040EZ
- Form CT-1040 EXT
- Form CT-1040ES
- Tax Tables
- Tax Calculation Schedule
- Taxpayer Questionnaire

If you are not eligible to Telefile or do not wish to Telefile, you have two other options to electronically file your Connecticut Income Tax Return.

See Electronic Filing Options on Page 3.

Additional tax information is available on our Web site: www.drs.state.ct.us

Department of Revenue Services walk-in locations and telephone numbers are listed on the back cover.

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WHAT'S NEW

- Beginning with income tax returns filed for the 2002 taxable year, taxpayers may elect to have their refunds **directly deposited** into a checking or savings account. Remember to file early and choose direct deposit to get your refund to you as soon as possible. See Line 16 – *Amount of Line 13 You Want Refunded to You*, on Page 9.
- The annual increase to the **personal exemptions and credits** used in calculating the tax for individuals whose filing status is Single (scheduled to take place over an eight-year period beginning with the 2000 taxable year) has been delayed by two years. The personal exemptions and credits for the 2001 taxable year will remain in effect for the 2002 and 2003 taxable years. The scheduled increases will resume beginning with the 2004 taxable year.
- Every year, DRS receives thousands of Connecticut income tax returns from individuals who are **not required to file**. Even if you are required to file a federal income tax return, you may not be required to file a Connecticut income tax return. Before spending your valuable time and money (for those of you who go to a paid preparer), see *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return*, on Page 4. If you determine that you are required to file, consider using one of the electronic options provided below.
- For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, there is an annual tax of \$250 on each:
 - S Corporation;
 - Limited Liability Partnership;
 - Limited Partnership; or
 - Limited Liability Company, which is, for federal income tax purposes, either treated as a partnership if it has two or more members, or disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, if it has a single member;that is required to file an annual report with the Connecticut Secretary of the State. Entities report and pay the tax on **Form OP-424, Business Entity Tax Return**. See **Special Notice 2002(11), Business Entity Tax**.
- The annual increase to the **property tax credit limitation** thresholds for individuals whose filing status is Single (scheduled to take place over an eight year period beginning with the 2000 taxable year) has been delayed by two years. The property tax credit limitation amounts in effect for the 2001 taxable year will remain in effect for the 2002 and 2003 taxable years. The scheduled increases will resume beginning with the 2004 taxable year.
- The federal Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 created a **special 30% depreciation allowance** for certain property acquired after September 10, 2001, and before September 11, 2004. The provision allows taxpayers to claim an additional first-year special depreciation allowance on new MACRS property where the recovery period is 20 years or less. The Connecticut General Assembly enacted legislation to require individuals for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, to add the additional first-year special depreciation allowance (to the extent deductible in determining their federal adjusted gross income) in computing their Connecticut adjusted gross income. See **Special Notice 2002(12), 2002 Legislation Affecting the Connecticut Income Tax**, and the instructions to **Form CT-1040, Schedule 1, Modifications to Federal Adjusted Gross Income**, Line 32.
- For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, a resident individual who has **reportable state lottery winnings** from a wager placed in a lottery conducted by a qualifying jurisdiction and who is required to file an income tax return and pay income tax to the qualifying jurisdiction on those lottery winnings, may claim a credit against his or her Connecticut income tax for income tax paid to the qualifying jurisdiction. Prior law allowed a credit against an individual's Connecticut income tax for income tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction on state lottery winnings only if the proceeds from the wager exceeded \$5,000. See **Informational Publication 2002(18), Connecticut Income Tax Treatment of State Lottery Winnings Received by Residents and Nonresidents of Connecticut**.
- Interest on the **underpayment of estimated** tax will not apply to any underpayment of estimated tax payment to the extent such underpayment was created or increased by any provision of Public Act 2002-1 of the May 9, 2002 Special Session of the Connecticut General Assembly and to the extent any estimated tax payment was required to be made on or before July 15, 2002. See Form CT-2210, *Underpayment of Estimated Income Tax by Individuals, Trusts and Estates*, for more information.
- In an effort to reduce printing and mailing costs, DRS will send postcards with PIN numbers to individuals who filed their Connecticut income tax returns over the Internet using **WebFile**. If you *WebFiled* your 2001 Connecticut income tax return, look in the mail for your postcard before filing your 2002 Connecticut income tax return.

ELECTRONIC FILING OPTIONS

File Your Tax Return Electronically!

- Refunds Issued in 4 days • Easy to use • Immediate Proof of Filing • Safe and Secure •
- Paperless • Available 24 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week! •

To **WebFile** or **Telefile** your Connecticut return you must meet all of the following conditions:

- You were a Connecticut resident for the entire year;
- You filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return; and
- Your filing status is the same filing status as last year.

WebFile

File over the Internet using *WebFile*.

Visit: www.drs.state.ct.us to learn more.

Telefile

File your return using a touch-tone telephone by calling:
860-692-9787

e-file

File your Federal and State returns together using *e-file*!

Have your tax preparer electronically file your tax return.
Visit: www.irs.gov/efile or check the Yellow Pages under "Tax Return Preparation" for a list of approved preparers near you.

File your returns from home using a DRS-approved commercial tax filing Web site or software product.
Visit: www.drs.state.ct.us for a complete list!

DRS CUSTOMER SERVICE

Tax Assistance

DRS is ready to help you and offers several resources where you can get answers to your Connecticut tax questions. Visit the DRS Web site at: www.drs.state.ct.us or for personal assistance, refer to the back cover of this booklet for a list of DRS walk-in offices and telephone numbers. DRS offices are open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you visit, be sure to bring:

- Your “**state copy**” of your federal Forms W-2 and any other forms showing Connecticut income tax withholding; **and**
- Your **completed** federal Form 1040EZ, 1040A, 1040, or federal TeleFile Tax Record.

Personal telephone assistance is available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Extended hours are offered for the filing season. Automated information may answer your questions anytime. Call CONN-TAX, the DRS information line, or visit the DRS Web site for details.

Forms and Publications

Download and print Connecticut tax forms and publications seven days a week from the DRS Web site at: www.drs.state.ct.us. Forms are also available during regular business hours at any of the DRS walk-in offices and the other sources listed on the back cover of this booklet, and at most public libraries, town halls, banks, and post offices during the tax filing season.

FILING INFORMATION

Important Reminders

- Be sure that you have received all your federal Forms W-2, W-2G, and 1099 before filing your Connecticut income tax return. Generally, you will receive these forms on or before January 31. If you receive an additional federal Form W-2, W-2G, or 1099 after filing your Connecticut income tax return you may be required to file **Form CT-1040X**. See *Amended Returns* on Page 16.
- File the correct form. Most taxpayers qualify to electronically file their Connecticut income tax return or file **Form CT-1040EZ**, *Connecticut Resident EZ Income Tax Return*. (See *May I File My Connecticut Income Tax Return Over the Internet Using WebFile* and *May I File Form CT-1040EZ* on Page 6.)
- Use the preprinted peel-off label. The preprinted label **does not** include your Social Security Number(s). Therefore, you **must** enter your Social Security Number and the Social Security Number for your spouse (if filing a joint return), in the spaces next to your name(s) on the return.
If you did not receive a tax return package with a label, enter your name(s) and mailing address in the spaces provided at the top of your return.
- Check the correct filing status on your return.
- Attach a legible “**state copy**” of each federal Form W-2 (Wages), W-2G (Winnings), 1099-R (Pensions), and any other forms showing Connecticut income tax withheld to your Connecticut return.
- Sign your return. If you and your spouse are filing jointly, both of you must sign.
- Have your paid preparer sign the return.
- Be sure that both you and your spouse file your income tax returns at the same time if you filed joint estimated tax payments but elect to file separate income tax returns. No refund will be processed until both Connecticut returns are received.
- Use the correct DRS mailing label on the envelope when filing your return. One label is for refunds and all other tax forms without payment. The other label is for all tax forms with payment.

Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return

You must file a Connecticut resident income tax return if you were a resident for the entire year **and** any of the following is true for the 2002 taxable year:

- You had Connecticut income taxes withheld;
- You made estimated tax payments to Connecticut;
- You meet the *Gross Income Test* (see below); **or**
- You had a federal alternative minimum tax liability.

If none of the above apply, do not file a Connecticut resident income tax return.

Gross Income Test

You must file a Connecticut income tax return if your gross income for the 2002 taxable year exceeds:

- \$12,000 and you will file as Married Filing Separately
- \$12,500 and you will file as Single
- \$19,000 and you will file as Head of Household
- \$24,000 and you will file as Married Filing Jointly

Gross income means all income you received in the form of money, goods, property, and services that is not exempt from federal income tax, **and** any additions to income that are required to be reported on **Form CT-1040, Schedule 1**.

Gross income includes, but is not limited to:

- Compensation for services, including wages, fees, commissions, taxable fringe benefits, and similar items
- Gross income from a business
- Capital gains
- Interest and dividends
- Gross rental income
- Gambling winnings
- Alimony
- Taxable pensions and annuities
- Prizes and awards
- Your share of income from partnerships, S corporations, estates, or trusts
- IRA distributions
- Unemployment compensation
- **Federally taxable** Social Security

The following examples explain the gross income test for a Connecticut resident:

Example 1: Your only income is from a sole proprietorship and you file federal Form 1040, reporting the following on Schedule C:

Gross Income	\$100,000
Expenses	(\$ 92,000)
Net Income	\$ 8,000

Because the **gross** income of \$100,000 exceeds the minimum requirement, you must file a Connecticut income tax return.

Example 2: You received \$8,000 in federally nontaxable Social Security benefits and \$11,000 in interest income. Since nontaxable Social Security benefits are not included in gross income, you will not have to file a Connecticut return unless Connecticut tax was withheld or estimated tax payments were made.

Am I a Resident, Part-Year Resident, or Nonresident

The following terms are used in this section:

Domicile (permanent legal residence) is the place you intend to have as your permanent home. It is the place you intend to return to whenever you are away. You can have only one domicile although you may have more than one place to live. Your domicile does not change until you move to a new location and definitely intend to make your permanent home there. If you move to a new location but intend to stay there only for a limited time (no matter how long), your domicile does not change. This also applies if you are working in a foreign country.

Permanent place of abode is a residence (a building or structure where a person can live) that you permanently maintain, whether or not you own it, and generally includes a residence owned by or leased to your spouse. A place of abode is not permanent if it is maintained only during a temporary stay for the accomplishment of a particular purpose.

You are a **resident** for the 2002 taxable year if:

- Connecticut was your domicile (permanent legal residence) for the entire 2002 taxable year; **or**
- You maintained a permanent place of abode in Connecticut **and** spent a total of more than 183 days in Connecticut during the 2002 taxable year, **and** you are not a part-year resident.

Nonresident aliens who meet either of the above conditions are considered Connecticut residents even if federal Form 1040NR-EZ or federal Form 1040NR is filed for federal income tax purposes.

If you are a resident and you meet the requirements for *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return* for the 2002 taxable year, you must file **Form CT-1040EZ** or **Form CT-1040**.

You are a **part-year resident** for the 2002 taxable year if:

You changed your permanent legal residence by moving into or out of Connecticut during the 2002 taxable year. If you are a part-year resident, you may not elect to be treated as a resident individual.

If you are a part-year resident and you meet the requirements for *Who Must File Form CT-1040NR/PY* for the 2002 taxable year, you must file **Form CT-1040NR/PY**. See *Who Must File Form CT-1040NR/PY* and *Am I a Resident, Part-Year Resident, or Nonresident* in the instruction booklet for **Form CT-1040NR/PY**.

You are a **nonresident** for the 2002 taxable year if you are neither a resident nor a part-year resident for the 2002 taxable year.

If you are a nonresident and you meet the requirements for *Who Must File Form CT-1040NR/PY* for the 2002 taxable year, you must file **Form CT-1040NR/PY**.

Although you and your spouse file jointly for federal purposes, you may be required to file separate Connecticut returns. See *Special Rules for Married Individuals* on Page 8.

Important: You may be treated as a nonresident for 2002 even if your domicile was Connecticut if you meet **all** of the conditions in Group A or Group B:

Group A

1. You did not maintain a permanent place of abode in Connecticut for the entire 2002 taxable year;
2. You maintained a permanent place of abode outside of Connecticut for the entire 2002 taxable year; **and**
3. You spent not more than 30 days in the aggregate in Connecticut during the 2002 taxable year.

Group B

1. You were in a foreign country for at least 450 days during any period of 548 consecutive days;
2. During this period of 548 consecutive days, you did not spend more than 90 days in Connecticut and you did not maintain a permanent place of abode in Connecticut at which your spouse (unless legally separated) or minor children spent more than 90 days; **and**
3. During the nonresident portion of the taxable year in which the 548-day period begins, and during the nonresident portion of the taxable year in which the 548-day period ends, you were present in Connecticut for no more than the number of days that bears the same ratio to 90 as the number of days in such portion of the taxable year bears to 548. See the calculation below:

Number of days in the nonresident portion	x 90 =	Maximum days allowed in Connecticut
548		

See **Special Notice 2000(17)**, *2000 Legislation Affecting the Connecticut Income Tax*.

Military Personnel Filing Requirements

Military personnel who claim Connecticut as a residence but are stationed elsewhere are subject to Connecticut income tax. If you enlisted in the service as a Connecticut resident and have not established a new domicile (permanent legal residence) elsewhere, you are required to file a resident income tax return unless you meet all of the conditions in Group A or Group B for being treated as a nonresident. See *Am I a Resident, Part-Year Resident, or Nonresident* at left.

If your permanent home (domicile) was outside Connecticut when you entered the military, you do not become a Connecticut resident because you are stationed and live in Connecticut. As a nonresident, your military pay is not subject to Connecticut income tax. However, income that you receive from Connecticut sources while you are a nonresident (including your spouse's nonmilitary income) may be subject to Connecticut income tax. (See instructions for a Connecticut nonresident contained in the instruction booklet for **Form CT-1040NR/PY**.)

Example: Lisa is a resident of Florida. She enlisted in the Navy in Florida and was stationed in Groton, Connecticut. She earned \$38,000 in military pay.

If Lisa had no other income . . .

Since Lisa resided and enlisted in Florida, she is considered a resident of Florida and does not have to file a Connecticut return. Military personnel are residents of the state in which they resided when they enlisted.

If Lisa had a part-time job in Connecticut . . .

Her Connecticut source income from nonmilitary employment is taxable. Lisa must file **Form CT-1040NR/PY** to report this income.

Spouses of military personnel who are stationed in Connecticut may be considered residents of this state even if their domicile is elsewhere. See *Am I a Resident, Part-Year Resident, or Nonresident* on Page 5.

See **Informational Publication 2002(22)**, *Connecticut Income Tax Information for Military Personnel and Veterans*.

Combat Zone

The income tax return of any individual in the U.S. Armed Forces serving in a combat zone or injured and hospitalized while serving in a combat zone is due 180 days after returning. There will be no penalty or interest charged. For any individual who dies while on active duty in a combat zone or as a result of injuries received in a combat zone, no income tax or return is due for the year of death. A refund of tax paid will be provided to the legal representative of the estate or to the surviving spouse.

Combat zone is an area designated by the President of the United States as a combat zone by executive order. A combat zone also includes an area designated by the federal government as a *qualified hazardous duty area*.

Members of the U.S. Armed Forces serving in military operations in the Kosovo and Afghanistan regions are eligible for the 180 day extension allowed to individuals serving in a combat zone. Spouses of military personnel and civilians supporting the military in these regions who are away from their permanent duty stations but are not within the designated combat zone are also eligible for the extension. Individuals requesting an extension under the Kosovo provision should print the words “**Operation Allied Force**” at the top of the tax return. Individuals requesting an extension under the Afghanistan provision should print the words “**Enduring Freedom**” at the top of the tax return.

May I File My Connecticut Income Tax Return Over the Internet Using *WebFile*

Most Connecticut residents may use the fast, easy *WebFile* Program to file their Connecticut income tax return. You may *WebFile* your Connecticut income tax return if all of the following are true:

- You were a Connecticut resident for the entire year or consent to be treated as a resident for the entire year;
- You filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return;
- Your filing status is the same as last year;
- You are **not** filing **Form CT-8379**, *Nonobligated Spouse Claim*, with your return;
- You have no more than ten W-2 or 1099 forms that show Connecticut income tax withheld; **and**
- You have no more than two states for which you are claiming a credit for income taxes paid to a qualifying jurisdiction.

May I File Form CT-1040EZ

Most residents may file this short, simple **Form CT-1040EZ**. You may file **Form CT-1040EZ** if **all** of the following are true:

- You were a resident of Connecticut for the entire year or consent to be treated as a resident for the entire year;
- You did **not** report federally taxable Social Security benefits for the 2002 taxable year;
- You had no modifications to federal adjusted gross income for Connecticut income tax purposes, **or** your only modification is a federally taxable refund of state and local income taxes. See *Modifications to Federal Adjusted Gross Income* below;
- You are not claiming credit for income taxes paid to another jurisdiction;
- You do not have a federal alternative minimum tax liability;
- You are not claiming an adjusted net Connecticut minimum tax credit; **and**
- You did not report treaty income on your federal income tax return.

If **any** of the above statements are **not** true, you must file **Form CT-1040** or **Form CT-1040NR/PY**.

If you are filing your return after the due date, and you want to pay interest and penalty with your return, you **must** file **Form CT-1040**. However, if you file **Form CT-1040EZ**, DRS will bill you for outstanding penalty and interest.

If you are a resident and your spouse is a part-year resident or nonresident and you file a joint federal income tax return, you may not be eligible to file a joint **Form CT-1040EZ**. See *Special Rules for Married Individuals*, on Page 8.

What is Connecticut Adjusted Gross Income

For the purpose of completing **Form CT-1040EZ**, Connecticut adjusted gross income is your federal adjusted gross income as reported on federal Form 1040, Line 35; federal Form 1040A, Line 21; federal Form 1040EZ, Line 4; or federal TeleFile Tax Record, Line I, minus any taxable refund of state and local income taxes reported on federal Form 1040, Line 10.

Modifications to Federal Adjusted Gross Income

If you have any of the following modifications, you **must** file **Form CT-1040**:

Additions

- Interest on state and local government obligations other than Connecticut;
- Exempt-interest dividends from a mutual fund derived from state or municipal government obligations other than Connecticut;
- Special depreciation allowance for qualified property;
- Taxable amount of lump-sum distributions from qualified plans not included in federal adjusted gross income;
- Beneficiary’s share of Connecticut fiduciary adjustment;
- Loss on sale of Connecticut state and local government bonds;
- Treaty income for nonresident aliens reported on federal Form 1040NR-EZ or Form 1040NR; **or**
- Loss or deduction of an enrolled member of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe who resides in Indian country of such tribe, where the loss or deduction is derived from or connected with Indian country of such tribe. See **Informational Publication 99(29)**, *Connecticut Income Tax Obligations of Enrolled Members of The Mashantucket Pequot Tribe*.

Subtractions

- Social Security benefit adjustment;
- Interest on U.S. government obligations;
- Exempt dividends from certain qualifying mutual funds derived from U.S. government obligations;
- Tier 1 and Tier 2 railroad retirement benefits and supplemental annuities;
- Beneficiary's share of Connecticut fiduciary adjustment;
- Gain on sale of Connecticut state and local government bonds;
- Distributions to a designated beneficiary from the Connecticut Higher Education Trust Fund (CHET);
- Interest earned on funds deposited in a Connecticut individual development account, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income; **or**
- Income or gain of an enrolled member of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe who resides in Indian country, of such tribe where the income or gain is derived from or connected with Indian country of such tribe. See **Informational Publication 99(29)**, *Connecticut Income Tax Obligations of Enrolled Members of The Mashantucket Pequot Tribe*.

Taxable Year and Method of Accounting

You must use the same taxable year for Connecticut income tax purposes that you use for federal income tax purposes. Most individuals use the calendar year as their taxable year for federal income tax purposes. However, if the calendar year is not your taxable year for federal income tax purposes, references in this booklet to "2002" are references to your taxable year beginning during 2002.

You must use the same method of accounting for Connecticut income tax purposes that you use for federal income tax purposes.

If your taxable year or method of accounting is changed for federal income tax purposes, the same change must be made for Connecticut income tax purposes.

When to File

Your Connecticut income tax return is due on or before April 15, 2003. If you are not a calendar year filer, your return is due on or before the 15th day of the fourth month following the close of your taxable year. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the next business day is the due date.

Your return will meet the timely filed and timely payment rules if the U.S. Postal Service cancellation date, or the date recorded or marked by a designated private delivery service (PDS) using a designated type of service, is on or before the due date. Not all services provided by these designated PDSs qualify.

The following are the designated PDSs and designated types of service at the time of publication:

Airborne Express (Airborne) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overnight Air Express Service• Next Afternoon Service• Second Day Service	DHL Worldwide Express (DHL) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DHL "Same Day" Service• DHL USA Overnight
Federal Express (FedEx) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FedEx Priority Overnight• FedEx Standard Overnight• FedEx 2Day• FedEx International Priority• FedEx International First	United Parcel Service (UPS) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• UPS Next Day Air• UPS Next Day Air Saver• UPS 2nd Day Air• UPS 2nd Day Air A.M.• UPS Worldwide Express Plus• UPS Worldwide Express

This list is subject to change. See **Policy Statement 2002(4)**, *Designated Private Delivery Services and Designated Types of Service*.

If **Form CT-1040EZ** is filed late, or all the tax due is not paid with the return, see *Interest and Penalties* on Page 15 to determine if interest and penalty apply.

Extension Requests

You may be eligible for a six-month extension of time to file your return if you file **Form CT-1040 EXT**, *Application for Extension of Time to File Connecticut Income Tax Return for Individuals*, and pay all the tax you expect to owe on or before the due date. See *Extension of Time to File*, on Page 13.

You may be eligible for a six-month extension of time to pay the tax due if you file **Form CT-1127**, *Application for Extension of Time for Payment of Income Tax*, and show that paying the tax by the due date will cause undue hardship. See *Extension of Time to Pay*, on Page 13.

Where to File

For **refunds** and **all other tax forms without payment** enclosed, use the mailing label with this address and mail your return to:

**Department of Revenue Services
PO Box 150420
Hartford CT 06115-0420**

For **all tax forms with payment** enclosed, use the mailing label with this address and mail your return with payment to:

**Department of Revenue Services
PO Box 150440
Hartford CT 06115-0440**

Completing Form CT-1040EZ

Complete Your Federal Return

Before you begin, gather all your records, including your federal W-2s (Wages), W-2Gs (Winnings), 1099-Rs (Pensions), and other 1099 forms. Use this information to complete your federal income tax return. The information on your federal return is needed to complete your Connecticut return.

Complete Your Connecticut Return

Remove the income tax forms from this booklet. One copy is for you to file with DRS. The other copy is for your records.

Proceed item by item, reading the instructions for each line item before you enter any amount. Then copy all information carefully onto the form you intend to file.

Name and Address

Be sure the information on the label is correct. Do not use this label if any of the information is incorrect. Print or type the correct information in the name and address spaces on your return. If there is no preprinted label, print or type the information requested in the spaces provided at the top of **Form CT-1040EZ**.

If your return is being completed by someone else, take your booklet to your tax preparer so that the preparer can attach the label to your return.

Social Security Number

The preprinted label **does not** include your Social Security Number. Therefore, you **must** write your Social Security Number

in the space provided next to your name. If you file a joint return, enter your Social Security Number and your spouse's Social Security Number in the order they appear on your federal return. If you are a nonresident alien and do not have a Social Security Number, enter your Individual Taxpayer Identification Number in the space provided next to your name.

Filing Status

Check the appropriate box to indicate your filing status. Generally, your filing status must match your federal income tax filing status for this year. If you are not certain of your filing status for 2002, consult the information in your federal income tax booklet or call the IRS at: 1-800-829-1040.

If your filing status is *qualifying widow(er) with dependent child* on federal Form 1040 or 1040A, check the box on **Form CT-1040EZ** for "Married filing jointly or Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child." **Do not** enter your deceased spouses' name or Social Security Number in the spaces provided for Spouse's Name and Spouse's Social Security Number.

Special Rules for Married Individuals

When one spouse is a Connecticut **resident** or a **nonresident** and the other spouse is a **part-year resident**, **each** spouse who is required to file a Connecticut income tax return **must** file as *married filing separately*.

When one spouse is a Connecticut **resident** and the other is a **nonresident**, **each** spouse who is required to file a Connecticut income tax return **must** file as *married filing separately unless*:

- They file jointly for federal income tax purposes; **and**
- They elect to be treated as if both were Connecticut residents for the entire taxable year.

When one spouse is a **nonresident alien** and the other is a **citizen** or **resident** of the United States, **each** spouse who is required to file a Connecticut income tax return **must** file as *married filing separately unless*:

- An election is made by the nonresident alien and his or her spouse to file a joint federal income tax return;
- A married filing joint return is filed for federal income tax purposes; **and**
- The spouses are otherwise required or permitted to file a joint Connecticut income tax return.

The election to file a joint return means that the joint federal adjusted gross income **must** be used on **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 1. It also means that the spouse who would not otherwise be required to file is now jointly and severally liable for any tax liability associated with the filing of the Connecticut income tax return.

If filing a joint federal return and a separate Connecticut return, enter on **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 1, only **your** portion of the income included in joint federal adjusted gross income.

Rounding Off to Whole Dollars

Generally, you may round off cents to the nearest whole dollar on your return and schedules. Round down to the next lowest dollar all amounts that include 1 through 49 cents. Round up to the next highest dollar all amounts that include 50 through 99 cents. However, if you need to add two or more amounts to compute the amount to enter on a line, include cents and round off **only** the total.

Example: \$1.29 becomes \$1.00 and \$3.50 becomes \$4.00.

You may round off the amount of tax due as stated in the 2002 Tax Tables or as calculated using the Tax Calculation Schedule.

Caution: Rounding off to whole dollars may affect the amounts of your personal exemption and your personal tax credit.

Line Instructions

Line 1 - Federal Adjusted Gross Income

Enter your federal adjusted gross income from your 2002 federal income tax return. This is the amount reported on federal Form 1040, Line 35; federal Form 1040A, Line 21; federal Form 1040EZ, Line 4; or federal TeleFile Tax Record, Line I.

Line 2 - Refunds of State and Local Income Taxes

Enter the amount of taxable refunds of state and local income taxes that you reported on your federal Form 1040, Line 10. If Line 10 of your federal Form 1040 is blank, or if you filed federal Form 1040A, 1040EZ, or telefiled your federal return, enter "0."

Line 3 - Connecticut Adjusted Gross Income

Subtract Line 2 from Line 1 and enter the result on Line 3. This is your Connecticut adjusted gross income.

Line 4 - Income Tax

If the amount on Line 3 is: \$12,000 or less for married filing separate individuals; \$12,500 or less for single individuals; \$19,000 or less for head of household individuals; or \$24,000 or less for married filing joint individuals, enter "0" on Line 4 and Line 6. You do not owe any income tax. Otherwise, calculate your tax using one of the following methods:

Tax Tables - If your Connecticut adjusted gross income is less than or equal to \$102,000, you may use the *Tax Tables* on Page 17 to find your tax. Be sure to use the correct column in the *Tax Tables*. After you have found the correct tax, enter that amount on Line 4.

Tax Calculation Schedule - You **must** use the *Tax Calculation Schedule* to figure your tax if your Connecticut adjusted gross income is more than \$102,000. You may also use the *Tax Calculation Schedule* if your Connecticut adjusted gross income is less than or equal to \$102,000. This schedule is found at the end of the tax tables or use the Income Tax Calculator on the DRS Web site: www.drs.state.ct.us

Line 5 - Credit for Property Taxes Paid on Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle

If the amount on Line 4 is zero, skip Line 5 and go to Line 6. Otherwise, you **must** complete *Schedule 1 EZ* on the back of **Form CT-1040EZ** to be allowed this credit. Enter the amount from Line 25 on Line 5. Be certain to include all of the requested information or your credit may be denied. See *Schedule 1 EZ - Credit for Property Taxes Paid on Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle*, on Page 10.

The credit is limited to the lesser of \$500 or the amount of qualifying property taxes paid. The maximum property tax credit allowed is **\$500** per return, regardless of filing status. If you paid more than \$100 in property tax you may be subject to a limitation based on your Connecticut adjusted gross income. See *Property Tax Credit Limitation Worksheet*, on the inside back cover of this booklet. **This credit may be used to offset your 2002 income tax only. You may not carry this credit forward and it is not refundable.**

Line 6 - Connecticut Income Tax

Subtract Line 5 from Line 4. Enter the result on Line 6. If less than zero, enter "0."

Line 7 - Individual Use Tax

Complete *Schedule 2 EZ* on the back of **Form CT-1040EZ**. See *Schedule 2 EZ - Individual Use Tax*, on Page 11. Enter on Line 7 the total use tax due as reported on *Schedule 2 EZ*, Line 26. You **must** enter "0" if no Connecticut use tax is due; otherwise you will not have filed a use tax return.

Line 8 - Total Tax

Add Line 6 and Line 7. Enter the total on Line 8.

Line 9 - Connecticut Tax Withheld

Enter the total income tax withheld for the State of Connecticut as indicated on your copies of W-2, W-2G, and 1099 forms. Include amounts withheld for the State of Connecticut shown on Form W-2, Box 17; Form W-2G, Box 14; Form 1099-R, Box 10; Form 1099-MISC, Box 16; and Form UC-1099G, Box 5. If you received a 2002 Form 1099 showing Connecticut income tax withheld on other income you received, such as unemployment compensation, include the amount withheld in the total on Line 9. Do **not** include tax withheld for other states or for the IRS.

Be sure you staple the "state copy" of all W-2 forms, and any other forms showing Connecticut tax withheld to the front of your return or your claim of amounts withheld will not be allowed. If you have not received Form W-2 from your employer or Form 1099-R from your pension, annuity, retirement, or profit sharing plan, you should request **Form CT-4852** (substitute Form W-2) to report your earnings and withholding.

If the amount on Line 9 does not equal the amounts of Connecticut withholding as reported on the forms that you attached to your return, the processing of your **Form CT-1040EZ** will be delayed.

Attach copies of W-2G and 1099 forms only if they show Connecticut tax withheld.

Line 10 - All 2002 Estimated Tax Payments

Enter on Line 10 the total of all Connecticut estimated tax payments, advance tax payments, and any overpayments of Connecticut income tax applied from a prior year. Be sure to include any 2002 estimated payments made in 2003. **Do not** include any refunds received.

Line 11 - Payments Made With Form CT-1040 EXT

If you filed **Form CT-1040 EXT**, *Application for Extension of Time to File*, enter on Line 11 the amount you paid with that form.

Line 12 - Total Payments

Add Lines 9, 10, and 11. Enter the total on Line 12. This represents the total of all Connecticut tax payments made.

Line 13 - Amount Overpaid

If Line 12 is greater than Line 8, subtract Line 8 from Line 12 and enter the result on Line 13. This is your overpayment. To properly allocate your overpayment, go to Lines 14, 15, and 16. If Line 12 is less than Line 8, go to Line 17.

Line 14 - Amount of Line 13 You Want Applied To Your 2003 Estimated Tax

Enter the amount of your 2002 overpayment that you want applied to your 2003 estimated Connecticut income tax. It will be treated as estimated tax paid on April 15, 2003, if your return is filed on time or if you filed a timely request for extension and your return is filed within the extension period. Payments received after April 15, 2003,

will be applied as of the date of receipt. **Your request to apply this amount to your 2003 estimated income tax is irrevocable.**

Line 15 - Amount of Line 13 You Want To Contribute

You may contribute all or a portion of your refund to one or more of five designated funds. Complete *Schedule 3 EZ, Contributions of Refund to Designated Charities* on the back of **Form CT-1040EZ**. Enter on Line 15 the total contributions as reported on *Schedule 3 EZ*, Line 27.

You may make a contribution on this return only if you are entitled to a refund. Your contribution is limited to your refund amount. However, you may also make **direct** contributions. See *Designated Contributions* on Page 15.

Line 16 - Amount of Line 13 You Want Refunded to You

Subtract the total of Line 14 and Line 15 from Line 13. Enter the result on Line 16. This is the amount of your refund. Be sure to affix the **refund label** to the envelope when mailing your return.

Get your refund faster by choosing **direct deposit**. Complete Lines 16a, 16b, and 16c to have your refund directly deposited into your checking or savings account.

Enter your nine-digit bank routing number and your bank account number in Lines 16b and 16c. Your bank routing number is the first nine-digit number printed on your check or savings withdrawal slip. Your bank account number generally follows the bank routing number. Do not include the check number as part of your account number. Bank account numbers can be up to 17 digits and must be numeric.

Note: If any of the bank information you supply for direct deposit does not match, a paper check will automatically be issued to you. Some financial institutions do not allow a joint refund to be deposited into an individual account.

Important: Your overpayment is applied in the following order: penalty and interest you owe, amounts designated by you to be applied to your 2003 estimated tax, other taxes you may owe DRS, debts to other Connecticut state agencies, federal taxes you may owe the IRS, and the charitable contributions you designate. Any remaining balance will be refunded to you.

Line 17 - Amount You Owe

If Line 8 is greater than Line 12, subtract Line 12 from Line 8, and enter the result on Line 17. This is the total amount of tax you owe. Pay the amount in full with your return. If the amount you owe is more than \$500, you may be subject to interest on the underpayment of estimated income tax. See *Filing Form CT-2210* on Page 14.

Payment Options

If you filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return, you may elect to pay your 2002 Connecticut income tax liability using your American Express® card, Discover® card, MasterCard® card, or VISA® card. A convenience fee will be charged by the credit card service provider. The fee is 2.5% of your total tax payment. You will be informed of the amount of the fee and you may elect to cancel the transaction. At the end of the transaction, you will be given a confirmation number for your records. Check the box on **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 17 to indicate payment made by credit card.

To Pay by Credit Card

- Call Official Payments Corporation toll-free at: **1-800-2PAY-TAX** (1-800-272-9829). You will be asked to enter the Connecticut Jurisdiction Code: 1777; or
 - Visit: **www.officialpayments.com** and select Payment Center.
- Your payment will be effective on the date you make the charge.

To Pay by Mail

Make your check or money order payable to the “**Commissioner of Revenue Services**.” To ensure proper posting of your payment, write your Social Security Number(s) and “**2002 Form CT-1040EZ**” on the front of your check or money order in the lower left corner. Be sure to sign your check and paper clip it to the front of your return. **Do not send cash.**

Failure to file or failure to pay the proper amount of tax when due will result in penalty and interest charges. It is to your advantage to file when your return is due, whether or not you are able to make full payment.

Third Party Designee

If you wish to authorize DRS to contact your friend, family member, or any other person, to discuss your 2002 tax return, check the “Yes” box in the “Third Party Designee” area of your return. Enter the designee’s name, telephone number, and any five numbers the designee chooses as his or her personal identification number (PIN). If you want to authorize DRS to contact the paid preparer who signed your return, enter “Preparer” in the space for the designee’s name. You do not have to provide the other information requested.

If you check the “Yes” box, you, and your spouse if filing a joint return, are authorizing DRS to call the designee to answer any questions that may arise during the processing of your return. You are also authorizing the designee to:

- Give DRS any information that is missing from your return;
- Call DRS for information about the processing of your return or the status of your refund or payment; **and**
- Respond to certain DRS notices that you have shared with the designee about math errors, offsets, and return preparation. The notices will not be sent to the designee.

Once DRS completes processing the return, the authorization ends. The authorization cannot be revoked. However, the authorization will automatically end no later than the due date (without regard to extensions) for filing your 2003 tax return. This is April 15, 2004, for most taxpayers.

The box does not replace a power of attorney and will not authorize the designee to receive refund checks, bind you to anything (including additional tax liabilities), or represent you before DRS. To authorize another individual to represent you or act on your behalf, you must complete **Form LGL-001, Power of Attorney**.

Check Your Return

Take your time in completing your return. When you have finished, recheck all of your entries and arithmetic.

Sign Your Return

After completing your **Form CT-1040EZ**, sign your name and write the date you signed the return. Your spouse must also sign and enter the date if this is a joint return. The signature line is located on the back of **Form CT-1040EZ**.

If you file a joint return, you **must** review the information with your spouse. When you and your spouse sign the return, you become jointly and severally responsible for paying the full amount of tax, interest, and penalties due.

Paid Preparer Signature

Anyone you pay to prepare your return must sign and date it. Paid preparers must also enter their Social Security Number (SSN) or Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN), and their firm’s Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) in the spaces provided.

Attach Your Label

Remove the preprinted peel-off label on the back cover of this booklet and place it over the name and address spaces of your return. The preprinted label **does not** include your Social Security Number(s). Therefore, you **must** write your Social Security Number(s) in the spaces provided next to your name(s).

Order of Attachments

Staple all your W-2 forms or **Forms CT-4852** (substitute Form W-2), and any other forms showing Connecticut income tax withheld to the front of the income tax form in the appropriate area marked “**Staple W-2s, W-2Gs, and certain 1099s here.**”

Paper clip your check or money order in payment of the tax due to the front of the income tax form in the appropriate area marked “**Clip check or money order here.**” To ensure proper posting of your payment, write your Social Security Number(s) and “**2002 Form CT-1040EZ**” on the front of your check or money order.

In addition, if you must file any of the following forms, attach the form(s) to the **front** of your income tax return in the following order:

- **Schedule CT-1040CRC, Claim of Right Credit**
- **Form CT-19IT, Title 19 Status Release Form**
- **Form CT-1127, Application for Extension of Time for Payment of Income Tax**
- **Form CT-8379, Nonobligated Spouse Claim**

Attach other required forms and schedules to the **back** of your return, or as directed on the form.

Filing Your Return

Keep a copy of this return and all attachments for your records. You may need information from it when you file next year’s return, make estimated tax payments, or to respond to a question from DRS. Attach to this return any required schedules and forms. Do **not** attach copies of your federal income tax return or federal schedules.

1. Remove both labels from the envelope flap along the perforation.
2. Choose the correct label for your return, moisten, and place it on the return envelope.
3. Affix the correct postage to the envelope.

Do not use these mailing labels to send other correspondence to DRS. Using these labels for other purposes will delay our response to you.

Schedule 1 EZ - Credit for Property Taxes Paid on Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle

Connecticut residents **must** complete *Schedule 1 EZ* to determine the amount of credit (if any) that may be taken against a Connecticut income tax liability. The credit is for property taxes paid during 2002 to a Connecticut political subdivision on a primary residence and/or privately owned or leased motor vehicle. If you entered zero on **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 4, **DO NOT** complete this schedule.

See **Informational Publication 2002(23), Q & A: Income Tax Credit for Property Taxes Paid to a Connecticut Political Subdivision**.

Which Property Tax Bills Qualify

You may take credit against your 2002 Connecticut income tax liability for property tax payments that you made on your primary residence and privately owned or leased motor vehicle to a Connecticut political subdivision. Generally, property tax bills that were due and paid during 2002 qualify for this credit. This includes any installment payments that you made during 2002 that were due in 2002 and any installments that you prepaid during 2002 that were due in 2003.

Supplemental property tax bills that were due during 2002 or 2003 also qualify if paid during 2002. However, the late payment of any property tax bills or the payment of any interest, fees, or charges related to the property tax bill do not qualify for the credit.

A husband and wife who file a joint Connecticut income tax return may consider property tax bills for which the husband or wife, or both, are liable.

You may take credit for a leased motor vehicle if you had a written lease agreement for a term of more than one year; and the property tax became due and was paid during 2002 (either by the leasing company or by you). Refer to your January 2003 billing statement from the leasing company in order to determine the amount of property taxes that may be eligible for the credit. Your statement will either indicate the amount of property taxes paid on your leased motor vehicle or provide you with a toll-free number that you may call to obtain the necessary information. If you do not receive a billing statement in January 2003, contact your leasing company for the appropriate property tax information.

<p>Example 1: Ernie received a property tax bill for a motor vehicle that was listed on his town's October 1, 2000 grand list. The bill was payable in two installments, July 1, 2001, and January 1, 2002. If Ernie paid the January 1, 2002 installment during 2002, he would be eligible to claim it on his 2002 income tax return, but if he prepaid it during 2001, he would not be eligible to take credit for it on his 2002 return, but he may have been eligible to take credit for it on his 2001 return.</p>
<p>Example 2: Isabelle received a property tax bill for a motor vehicle that was listed on her town's October 1, 2001 grand list. The bill was payable in two installments, July 1, 2002, and January 1, 2003. Isabelle is eligible to take credit for both installments on her 2002 income tax return, if she paid both installments during 2002. If Isabelle waited until January 1, 2003, to pay her second installment, she would not be eligible to take credit on her 2002 return for this installment, but she may be eligible to take credit for it on her 2003 return.</p>

Maximum Credit Allowed

The **maximum** credit allowed (on your primary residence and/or motor vehicle) is **\$500** per return, regardless of filing status. If you paid more than \$100 in property tax you may be subject to a limitation based on your Connecticut adjusted gross income.

This credit cannot exceed the amount of qualifying property taxes paid or the amount of tax entered on **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 4. To be allowed this credit, you must complete *Schedule 1 EZ* in its entirety.

Motor Vehicle Credit Restrictions

The number of motor vehicles eligible for this credit depends on your filing status as shown on the front of your Connecticut income tax return. Any individual whose filing status is *Single*, *Married Filing Separately*, or *Head of Household* is limited to the property tax paid on **one** motor vehicle, even if the individual sells a motor vehicle and purchases a replacement motor vehicle during the taxable year and only owns one motor vehicle at any time during the taxable year. Individuals whose filing status is *Married Filing Jointly* are limited to the property taxes paid on two motor vehicles.

Schedule 1 EZ – Line Instructions

Column A - Name of Connecticut Tax Town or District

Enter the Connecticut town or taxing district to which the qualifying property tax was paid.

Column B - Description of Property

Enter the description of the property. If a primary residence, enter the street address. If a motor vehicle, enter the year, make, and model.

Column C - List or Bill Number

Enter the list or bill number from your property tax bill.

Column D - Date(s) Paid

Enter the date that you paid qualifying property tax.

Column E - Amount Paid

Enter the amount of property tax paid.

Line 18 - Primary Residence

Enter the total amount of property tax paid on your primary residence.

Line 19 - Auto 1

Enter the total amount of property tax paid on your motor vehicle.

Line 20 - Married Filing Jointly Only - Auto 2

Enter the total amount of property taxes paid on your second motor vehicle.

Line 23

Enter the **lesser** of Line 21 or Line 22. If \$100 or less, enter this amount on Line 25 and on the front of **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 5. If greater than \$100, go to Line 24.

Line 24 - Limitation

Enter "0" on Line 24 and go to Line 25 if your:

Filing status is:	Connecticut adjusted gross income is:
Single	\$ 54,500 or less
Married Filing Jointly	\$100,500 or less
Married Filing Separately	\$ 50,250 or less
Head of Household	\$ 78,500 or less

Otherwise, you **must** complete the *Property Tax Credit Limitation Worksheet* on the inside back cover of this booklet or use the Property Tax Calculator on the DRS Web site: www.drs.state.ct.us

Line 25

Subtract Line 24 from Line 23. Enter here and on the front of **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 5.

Schedule 2 EZ – Individual Use Tax

In general, goods or services that are purchased out-of-state and that would have been subject to the Connecticut sales tax if those goods or services had been purchased from a Connecticut retailer, are subject to the Connecticut use tax. Generally, individuals who have purchased goods from mail order or catalog companies and have had those goods shipped to Connecticut, and individuals who have purchased goods at out-of-state locations and have brought those goods back into Connecticut, are subject to the Connecticut use tax if they did not pay Connecticut sales tax. Complete *Schedule 2 EZ - Individual Use Tax*, on the back of **Form CT-1040EZ**, to calculate your use tax liability.

List separately any individual item with a purchase price of **\$300 or more** and complete Columns A through G. Although you do not need to list separately any individual item with a purchase price of **less than \$300**, such items are subject to tax and the total of the purchase price of these items should be reported on Line A. Multiply the sales and use tax rate by the purchase price of the item and enter the result in Column E. Enter the total tax for all taxable purchases on *Schedule 2 EZ*, Line 26 and **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 7.

See **Informational Publication 2002(21)**, *Q&A on the Connecticut Individual Use Tax*.

If you require additional lines, you should create an identical schedule and attach it to the back of your **Form CT-1040EZ**.

Enter only those purchases subject to use tax that you have not previously reported on **Form OP-186**.

You must enter "0" on Line 7 of **Form CT-1040EZ** if no Connecticut use tax is due. If you do not make an entry on Line 7, you will not have filed a use tax return.

Line 26

Complete Columns A through G on *Schedule 2 EZ-Individual Use Tax* and enter the total use tax due here and on the front of **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 7.

Schedule 3 EZ – Contributions of Refund to Designated Charities

Line 27

Check the appropriate box or write in a whole dollar amount for each fund to which you wish to contribute. Add your contributions and enter the total here and on the front of **Form CT-1040EZ**, Line 15. **Your contribution is irrevocable.**

You may also make direct contributions by following the instructions on Page 15.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Recordkeeping

Keep a copy of your tax return, worksheets that you used, and records of all items appearing on the return (such as W-2 and 1099 forms) until the statute of limitations expires for that return. Usually, this is three years from the date the return was due or filed, whichever is later. You may need this information to prepare future returns or to file amended returns.

Copies of Returns

You may request a copy of a previously filed Connecticut income tax return from DRS by completing **Form LGL-002**, *Request for Disclosure of Tax Return or Tax Return Information*. You can usually expect your copy in three weeks.

Refund Information

DRS issues refund checks as quickly as possible. If you have a touch-tone phone, you may check on the status of your refund 24 hours a day by calling **1-800-382-9463** (in-state) or **860-297-5962** (from anywhere). Be ready to provide your Social Security Number (and your spouse's, if filing jointly) and the exact amount of the refund you requested.

If you *Teletype* or electronically file your return, you will be issued your refund in four days. If you send your return by mail, you should allow four weeks before calling to check on the status of your refund. If you do not receive your refund on or before the 90th day after we receive your claim for refund, you may be entitled to interest on your overpayment at the rate of $\frac{2}{3}\%$ for each month or fraction of a month between the 90th day following receipt of your claim for a refund or the date of your return, whichever is later, and the date of notice that your refund is due.

Claiming a Refund for a Deceased Taxpayer

If you are a surviving spouse filing a joint return with the deceased, file the tax return to claim the refund. If you are a court-appointed representative, file the return **and** attach a copy of the certificate that shows your appointment. All other filers requesting the deceased taxpayer's refund must file the return and attach federal Form 1310, *Statement of Person Claiming Refund Due a Deceased Taxpayer*.

Income received by the estate of the decedent for the portion of the year after the decedent's death, and for succeeding taxable years until the estate is closed, must be reported each year on **Form CT-1041**, *Connecticut Income Tax Return for Trusts and Estates*.

Offset Against Debts

If you are due a refund but have not paid certain obligations to Connecticut state agencies or the IRS, all or part of your overpayment may be used to pay all or part of these outstanding debts or taxes. You will be advised by mail if your refund is reduced

for this reason and will be given information directing you to the agency to contact if you wish to appeal. Your refund may also be reduced if you owe penalty and interest on late-filed or underpaid Connecticut income tax returns.

Nonobligated Spouse

When a joint return is filed and only one spouse owes past-due child support or a debt to any Connecticut state agency, the spouse who is not obligated may be eligible to claim a share of a joint income tax refund. A nonobligated spouse who received income in 2002 and who made Connecticut income tax payments (withholding or estimates) for the 2002 taxable year may be eligible to claim his or her share of any refund if:

- A joint Connecticut tax return was filed for 2002; **and**
- An overpayment of tax was made.

If you are a nonobligated spouse, you may claim your share of a joint refund by filing **Form CT-8379**, *Nonobligated Spouse Claim*.

Do **not** use **Form CT-8379** to claim your share of a Connecticut refund that was applied to federal taxes you owe to the IRS. You must contact the IRS Office of the Local Taxpayer Advocate in Hartford, Connecticut at: 860-756-4555.

Title 19 Recipients

Title 19 recipients must file a Connecticut income tax return if the requirements for *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return* are met.

However, if you do not have funds to pay your Connecticut income tax and during 2002:

- You were a Title 19 recipient; **and**
- Medicaid assisted in the payment of your long-term care in a nursing or convalescent home;

complete **Form CT-19IT**, *Title 19 Status Release*, and attach it to the **front** of your Connecticut income tax return. By completing this form, you authorize DRS to verify your Title 19 status for 2002 with the Department of Social Services.

Special Information for Nonresident Aliens

A nonresident alien must file a Connecticut income tax return if the requirements of *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return* are met. In determining whether the *Gross Income Test* is met, the nonresident alien must take into account any income that is not subject to federal income tax under an income tax treaty between the U.S. and the country of which the nonresident alien is a citizen or resident. Income tax treaty provisions are disregarded for Connecticut income tax purposes. Any treaty income that is reported on federal Form 1040NR or Form 1040NR-EZ and that is not subject to federal income tax must be added to the nonresident alien's federal adjusted gross

income. See **Form CT-1040, Schedule I**, Line 36, or **Form CT-1040NR/PY, Schedule I**, Line 38.

If the nonresident alien does not have and is not eligible for a Social Security Number, he or she must obtain an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) from the IRS, and enter it in the space provided for a Social Security Number.

A married nonresident alien may not file a joint Connecticut income tax return unless the nonresident alien is married to a citizen or resident of the U.S. and they have made an election to file a joint federal income tax return and, in fact, file a joint federal income tax return. (Any married individual filing federal Form 1040NR or federal Form 1040NR-EZ is not eligible to file a joint federal income tax return or a joint Connecticut income tax return, and must file as a married individual filing separately.)

Deceased Taxpayers

A Connecticut income tax return must be filed for a taxpayer who died during the year if the requirements for *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return* are met. The return must be signed and filed by his or her executor, administrator, or surviving spouse for the portion of the year before the taxpayer's death. The person who files the return must clearly write "**DECEASED**," the deceased taxpayer's name, and the date of death across the top of the return.

A surviving spouse may file a joint return if the surviving spouse filed a joint federal income tax return. Write "**Filing as surviving spouse**" in the deceased spouse's signature block on the return. If both spouses died in 2002, their legal representative must file a final return. The Connecticut and federal filing status must be the same.

Relief From Joint Liability

In general, if you and your spouse file a joint income tax return you are both responsible for paying the full amount of tax, interest, and penalties due on your joint return. However, in very limited, specific cases, relief may be granted if you believe that all or any part of the amount due should be paid only by your spouse. You may request consideration by filing **Form CT-8857, Request for Innocent Spouse Relief (And Separation of Liability and Equitable Relief)**. See **Special Notice 99(15), Innocent Spouse Relief, Separation of Liability, and Equitable Relief**.

Extension of Time to File

To request an extension of time to file your return, you must file **Form CT-1040 EXT, Application for Extension of Time to File Connecticut Income Tax Return for Individuals**, and pay all the tax you expect to owe on or before the due date. If you file this form and have filed federal Form 4868, *Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return*, your due date will be automatically extended for six months. If you did not file a federal extension request, a six-month extension of time to file will be granted for reasonable cause.

If a taxpayer is unable to request an extension because of illness, absence, or other good cause, any person standing in a close personal or business relationship to the taxpayer (including an attorney, accountant, or enrolled agent) may file the request on the taxpayer's behalf. This person is considered a duly authorized agent for this purpose.

Form CT-1040 EXT extends only the time to file your return; it does not extend the time to pay your tax due. See *Interest and Penalties*, on Page 15 if you do not pay all the tax due with your request for extension.

You may pay your expected 2002 Connecticut income tax due by credit card. See **Form CT-1040 EXT**, included in this booklet.

U.S. Citizens Living Abroad

If you are a U.S. citizen or resident living outside the U.S. and Puerto Rico, or if you are in the armed forces of the U.S. serving outside the U.S. and Puerto Rico, and are unable to file a Connecticut income tax return on time you must file **Form CT-1040 EXT**. You must also pay the amount of tax due on or before the original due date of the return.

Include with **Form CT-1040 EXT** a statement that you are a U.S. citizen or resident living outside the U.S. and Puerto Rico, or in the armed forces of the U.S. serving outside the U.S. and Puerto Rico, and that you qualify for a federal automatic two-month extension. If your application is approved, the due date will be extended for six months. If you are still unable to file your return, and you were granted an additional extension of time to file for federal purposes, you may file your Connecticut return using the federal extension due date. A copy of the federal Form 2350 approval notice must be attached to the front of your Connecticut return.

Extension of Time to Pay

You may request a six-month extension of time to pay the tax by filing **Form CT-1127, Application for Extension of Time for Payment of Income Tax**, on or before the due date of the original return.

Attach **Form CT-1127** to the front of **Form CT-1040EZ** or **Form CT-1040 EXT**, and send it on or before the due date. As evidence of the need for extension, you must attach:

- An explanation of why you cannot borrow money to pay the tax due;
- A statement of your assets and liabilities; **and**
- An itemized list of your receipts and disbursements for the preceding three months.

If an extension of time to pay is granted and you pay all the tax due in full by the end of the extension period, a penalty will not be imposed. However, interest will accrue on any unpaid tax from the original due date. You should make payments as soon as possible to reduce the interest that you would otherwise owe. To ensure proper posting of your payment, write your Social Security Number(s) and "**2002 Form CT-1040EZ**" on the front of your check or money order. Mail payments to:

**Department of Revenue Services
Accounts Receivable Unit
PO Box 5088
Hartford CT 06102-5088**

Estimated Tax Payments

You must make estimated income tax payments if your Connecticut income tax (after tax credits) minus Connecticut tax withheld is more than \$500, and you expect your Connecticut income tax withheld to be less than your required annual payment for the 2003 taxable year.

Your required annual payment for the 2003 taxable year is the lesser of:

- **90%** of the income tax shown on your **2003 Connecticut income tax return**; or
- **100%** of the income tax shown on your **2002 Connecticut income tax return**, if you filed a 2002 Connecticut income tax return that covered a 12-month period.

You do **not** have to make estimated income tax payments if:

- You were a Connecticut resident during the 2002 taxable year, and you did not file a 2002 income tax return because you had no Connecticut income tax liability; or

- You were a nonresident or part-year resident with Connecticut source income during the 2002 taxable year and you did not file a 2002 income tax return because you had no Connecticut income tax liability.

If you were a nonresident or part-year resident and you did **not** have Connecticut source income during the 2002 taxable year, you **must** use 90% of the income tax shown on your 2003 Connecticut income tax return as your required annual payment.

Annualized Income Installment Method

If your income varies throughout the year, you may be able to reduce or eliminate the amount of your estimated tax payment for one or more periods by using the annualized income installment method. See **Informational Publication 99(33)**, *A Guide to Calculating Your Annualized Estimated Income Tax Installments and Worksheet CT-1040 AES*.

Filing Form CT-1040ES

Use **Form CT-1040ES**, *Estimated Connecticut Income Tax Payment Coupon for Individuals*, to make estimated Connecticut income tax payments for 2003. If you made estimated tax payments in 2002, you will automatically receive coupons for the 2003 taxable year in mid-January. They will be preprinted with your name, address, and Social Security Number. To ensure that your payments are properly credited, use the preprinted coupons.

If you did not make estimated tax payments in 2002, use **Form CT-1040ES**, included in this booklet, to make your first estimated income tax payment. If you file this form, additional preprinted coupons will be mailed to you.

You may pay your 2003 estimated Connecticut income tax payments by credit card. See **Form CT-1040ES**, included in this booklet.

To avoid making estimated tax payments, you may request that your employer withhold additional amounts from your wages to cover the taxes on other income. You can make this change by giving your employer a revised **Form CT-W4**, *Employee's Withholding or Exemption Certificate*. For help in determining the correct amount of Connecticut withholding to be withheld from your wage income, see **Informational Publication 2003(1)**, *Is My Connecticut Withholding Correct?*

Special Rules for Farmers and Fishermen

If you are a farmer or fisherman (as defined in I.R.C. §6654(i)(2)) who is required to make estimated income tax payments, you must make only **one** payment. Your payment is due on or before January 15, 2004, for the 2003 taxable year. The required installment is the lesser of $66\frac{2}{3}\%$ of the income tax shown on your 2003 Connecticut income tax return or 100% of the income tax shown on your 2002 Connecticut income tax return.

A farmer or fisherman who files a 2003 Connecticut income tax return on or before March 1, 2004, and pays in full the amount computed on the return as payable on or before that date, will not be charged interest for underpayment of estimated tax.

Farmers and fishermen who use these special rules **must** complete and attach **Form CT-2210**, *Underpayment of Estimated Tax by Individuals, Trusts, and Estates*, to their Connecticut income tax return to avoid being billed for interest on the underpayment of estimated income tax. Be sure to check **Form CT-2210**, Part I, Box D, and the box for **Form CT-2210** on the front of **Form CT-1040**. See **Informational Publication 2002(10)**, *Farmer's Guide to Sales and Use Taxes, Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax, Estimated Income Tax, and Withholding Tax*.

Interest on Underpayment of Estimated Tax

You may be charged interest if you did not pay enough tax through withholding or estimated payments, or both, by any installment due date. This is true even if you are due a refund when you file your tax return. Interest is calculated separately for each installment. Therefore, you may owe interest for an earlier installment, even if you paid enough tax later to make up the underpayment. Interest at 1% (.01) per month or fraction of a month will be added to the tax due until the **earlier** of April 15, 2003, or the date on which the underpayment is paid.

A taxpayer who files a 2002 Connecticut income tax return on or before January 31, 2003, and pays in full the amount computed on the return as payable on or before that date, will not be charged interest for failing to make the estimated payment due January 15, 2003.

A farmer or fisherman (as defined in I.R.C. §6654(i)(2)) who is required to make estimated income tax payments will not be charged interest for failing to make the estimated payment due January 15, 2003, if he or she files a 2002 Connecticut income tax return on or before March 1, 2003, and pays in full the amount computed on the return as payable on or before that date.

Filing Form CT-2210

You may be charged interest if your 2002 Connecticut income tax (after tax credits) minus Connecticut tax withheld, is more than \$500. Use **Form CT-2210**, *Underpayment of Estimated Income Tax by Individuals, Trusts, and Estates*, to calculate interest on the underpayment of estimated tax. **Form CT-2210** and detailed instructions are available from DRS. However, this is a complex form and you may prefer to have DRS calculate the interest. If so, do not file **Form CT-2210** and DRS will send you a bill.

Important: You may not file **Form CT-1040EZ** if you want to pay the interest calculated on **Form CT-2210** with your income tax return. Instead, you must file **Form CT-1040**.

2003 Estimated Tax Due Dates		Due dates of installments and the amount of required payments for 2003 calendar year taxpayers are:
April 15, 2003	25% of your required annual payment	
June 15, 2003	25% of your required annual payment (A total of 50% of your required annual payment should be paid by this date.)	
September 15, 2003	25% of your required annual payment (A total of 75% of your required annual payment should be paid by this date.)	
January 15, 2004	25% of your required annual payment (A total of 100% of your required annual payment should be paid by this date.)	
An estimate will be considered timely filed if received on or before the due date, or if the date shown by the U.S. Postal Service cancellation mark is on or before the due date. Taxpayers who report on other than a calendar year basis, should use their federal estimated tax installment due dates. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the next business day is the due date.		

Interest and Penalties

In general, interest and penalty apply to any portion of the tax that is not paid on or before the original due date of the return.

Interest

If you do not pay the tax when due, you will owe interest at 1% (.01) per month or fraction of a month until the tax is paid in full.

If you did not pay enough tax through withholding or estimated payments, or both, by any installment due date, you may be charged interest. This is true even if you are due a refund when you file your tax return. See *Interest on Underpayment of Estimated Tax*, on Page 14.

Interest on underpayment or late payment of tax cannot be waived.

Penalty for Late Payment or Late Filing

The penalty for late payment or underpayment of income or use tax is 10% (.10) of the tax due. If a request for an extension of time to file has been granted, you can avoid a penalty for failure to pay the full amount due by the original due date if you:

- Pay at least 90% (.90) of the income tax shown to be due on the return on or before the original due date of the return; **and**
- Pay the balance due with the return on or before the extended due date.

If no tax is due, DRS may impose a \$50 penalty for the late filing of any return or report that is required by law to be filed.

Penalty for Failure to File

If you do not file your return and DRS files a return for you, the penalty for failure to file is 10% (.10) of the balance due or \$50, whichever is greater. If you are required to file **Form CT-1040X**, and fail to do so, a penalty may be imposed.

Waiver of Penalty

You may be able to have your penalty waived if the failure to file or pay tax on time was due to a reasonable cause. Interest **cannot** be waived. Before a penalty waiver can be granted, all tax and interest must be paid. All requests must include:

- A clear and complete written explanation;
- Your name and Social Security Number;
- The taxable filing period;
- The name of the original form filed or billing notice received; **and**
- Documentation supporting your explanation.

Attach your request to the **front** of your tax return **or** mail separately with a copy of your tax return to:

**Department of Revenue Services
Penalty Review Committee
PO Box 5089
Hartford CT 06102-5089**

Other Taxes That You May Owe

The information that follows is intended to be a general description of other Connecticut taxes for which you may be liable. More detailed information is available by requesting the form or publication specified. Failure to pay these taxes, if you are liable for them, may subject you to civil and criminal penalties.

Connecticut Gift Tax (Form CT-709)

Gifts made during the calendar year by resident and nonresident individuals are subject to the Connecticut gift tax. Residents are subject to tax on all gifts of intangible property and of real and tangible personal property located in Connecticut. In general, gifts made to any particular donee are not subject to the Connecticut gift tax unless the value of all such gifts to that donee during the calendar year exceeds \$11,000. The tax is computed on the fair market value of the property that was given. The donor is liable for the tax, but if the donor does not pay the tax, it may be collected from the donee. The tax is reported on, and paid upon the filing of **Form CT-709, Connecticut Gift Tax Return**. The return must be filed, and the gift tax paid, on or before April 15 annually, for gifts made during the preceding calendar year.

Connecticut Income Tax Withholding by Household Employers

Connecticut rules differ from federal rules. Household employers may not report and pay household employee withholding tax with their Connecticut income tax return. See **Special Notice 96(8), 1996 Legislative Changes Concerning "Nanny Tax" Withholding**.

Business Entity Tax (Form OP-424)

For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, there is an annual tax of \$250 on each:

- S Corporation;
- Limited Liability Partnership;
- Limited Partnership; or
- Limited Liability Company, which is, for federal income tax purposes, either treated as a partnership if it has two or more members, or disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, if it has a single member;

that is required to file an annual report with the Connecticut Secretary of the State. See **Special Notice 2002(11), Business Entity Tax**. An entity that has a Connecticut tax registration number issued by DRS will automatically be registered for the Business Entity Tax and be mailed **Form OP-424**. If an entity does not have a Connecticut number, one can be obtained by completing **Form REG-1, Business Taxes Registration Application**. The failure to receive **Form OP-424** will not excuse any entity from the obligation to file it and to pay the Business Entity Tax.

Designated Contributions

AIDS RESEARCH EDUCATION FUND	ORGAN TRANSPLANT FUND	ENDANGERED SPECIES, NATURAL AREA PRESERVES, AND WATCHABLE WILDLIFE FUND	BREAST CANCER RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FUND	SAFETY NET SERVICES FUND
<p>This fund assists research, education, and community service programs related to Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). The fund is administered by the Department of Public Health.</p> <p>To contribute directly send to: AIDS Division, Department of Public Health MS#11APV PO Box 340308 Hartford CT 06134-0308</p> <p>Make check payable to: "Treasurer, State of Connecticut/AIDS Fund"</p>	<p>This fund assists Connecticut residents in paying for the unmet medical and ancillary needs of organ transplant candidates and recipients. The fund is administered by the Department of Social Services.</p> <p>To contribute directly send to: Department of Social Services Accounts Receivable 25 Sigourney Street Hartford CT 06106-5003</p> <p>Make check payable to: "Commissioner of Social Services/Organ Transplant Fund"</p>	<p>This fund helps preserve, protect, and manage Connecticut's endangered plants and animals, wildlife and their habitats. The fund is administered by the Department of Environmental Protection.</p> <p>To contribute directly send to: Department of Environmental Protection-Bureau of Administration Financial Management 79 Elm Street Hartford CT 06106-5127</p> <p>Make check payable to: "DEP-Endangered Species/ Wildlife Fund"</p>	<p>This fund assists research, education, and community service programs related to breast cancer. The fund is administered by the Department of Public Health.</p> <p>To contribute directly send to: Department of Public Health Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program MS#11HLS PO Box 340308 Hartford CT 06134-0308</p> <p>Make check payable to: "Treasurer, State of Connecticut/ Breast Cancer Fund"</p>	<p>This fund protects the children of families who are no longer eligible to receive public assistance benefits. The fund is administered by the Department of Social Services.</p> <p>To contribute directly send to: Department of Social Services Accounts Receivable 25 Sigourney Street Hartford CT 06106-5003</p> <p>Make check payable to: "Commissioner of Social Services/Safety Net Fund"</p>

Amended Returns

Use **Form CT-1040X**, *Amended Connecticut Income Tax Return*, to amend a previously filed Connecticut income tax return. If **Form CT-1040X** is filed to have an overpayment of Connecticut income tax refunded or credited, it must be filed before the Connecticut statute of limitations expires. Generally, the Connecticut statute of limitations for refunding or crediting any Connecticut income tax overpayment expires three years after the due date of the return, but if a timely request for an extension of time to file a return was filed, the statute of limitations expires three years after the extended due date of the return, or three years after the date of filing the return, whichever is earlier. If an amended return is not timely filed, a penalty may be imposed. Interest will also be assessed on any additional Connecticut income tax not paid on or before the due date. See *Interest and Penalties*, on Page 15.

The following circumstances require the filing of Form CT-1040X:

<p>1. The IRS or federal courts change or correct your federal income tax return, and the change or correction results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid.</p>	<p>File Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the final determination. If you file Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the final determination, any Connecticut income tax overpayment resulting from the final determination will be refunded or credited to you, even if the Connecticut statute of limitations has otherwise expired.</p>
<p>2. You filed a timely amended federal income tax return, and the amendment results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid.</p>	<p>File Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the date you filed your timely amended federal return. If you file Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the date of filing the timely amended federal income tax return, any Connecticut income tax overpayment resulting from filing the timely amended federal income tax return will be refunded or credited to you, even if the Connecticut statute of limitations has otherwise expired.</p>
<p>3. You claimed a credit for income tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction on your original income tax return and the tax officials or courts of that qualifying jurisdiction made a change or correction to your income tax return and the change or correction results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid (by increasing or decreasing the amount of your allowable credit).</p>	<p>File Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the final determination. If you file Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the final determination, any Connecticut income tax overpayment resulting from the final determination will be refunded or credited to you, even if the Connecticut statute of limitations has otherwise expired.</p>
<p>4. You claimed a credit for income tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction on your original income tax return and you filed a timely amended income tax return with that qualifying jurisdiction, and the amendment results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid (by increasing or decreasing the amount of your allowable credit).</p>	<p>File Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the date you filed your amended return with the qualifying jurisdiction. If you file Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the final determination, any Connecticut income tax overpayment resulting from the final determination will be refunded or credited to you, even if the Connecticut statute of limitations has otherwise expired.</p>
<p>5. If none of the above circumstances apply, but you made a mistake or omission on your Connecticut income tax return, and the mistake or omission results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid.</p>	<p>File Form CT-1040X no later than three years after the due date of your return, or if you filed a timely request for an extension of time to file, three years after the date of filing the return, or three years after the extended due date, whichever is earlier.</p>

Do not file Form CT-1040X for any of the following reasons:

- To have an overpayment refunded instead of applied to next year's estimated tax or to change contributions made to designated funds. The elections that you made on your original return **cannot** be changed by filing **Form CT-1040X**.
- To amend your Connecticut income tax return for an earlier year in order to claim a credit for income tax paid on income which was included in your Connecticut adjusted gross income for that year and which you repaid in a later taxable year. File **Schedule CT-1040CRC**, *Claim of Right Credit*, with your Connecticut income tax return for the later taxable year.

Financial Disability

If you are financially disabled, as defined in I.R.C. §6511(h)(2), the time for having an overpayment of Connecticut income tax refunded or credited to you is extended for as long as you are financially disabled. You are considered financially disabled if you are unable to manage your own affairs by reason of a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months. You are not considered financially disabled during any period that your spouse or any other person is authorized to act on your behalf in financial matters.

2002 TAXPAYER QUESTIONNAIRE

Department of Revenue Services, Taxpayer Services Division, PO Box 2987, Hartford CT 06104-2987

A MESSAGE FROM COMMISSIONER GENE GAVIN

Your evaluation of the services provided by the Department of Revenue Services (DRS) will help us serve you better. We appreciate receiving your comments and suggestions at any time, but especially as you complete your income tax return. Please include this questionnaire with your return (**do not staple it to the return**) or mail it to the above address.

1. Please rate your contacts with DRS in the past year.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
DRS Web site (www.drs.state.ct.us)				
WebFile (on DRS Web site)				
Federal/State Electronic Filing (at a DRS Office)				
Recorded Tax Information (CONN-TAX Telephone System)				
Telephone Assistance from a DRS Representative				
Walk-in Assistance at a DRS Office				
Informational Publications				
Obtaining Connecticut Tax Forms				

Please explain your rating for any category if Fair or Poor: _____

Other Comments: _____

2. Check the form you completed for the 2002 taxable year:

TELEFILE
 CT-1040EZ
 CT-1040
 CT-1040NR/PY
 CT-709

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
INSTRUCTION BOOKLET				
Information is well organized	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Instructions are easy to follow	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Examples are clear	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FORM				
Form is easy to complete	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Form is well designed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please explain your rating for any category if you disagree or strongly disagree: _____

Please list any suggestions you have for changes for the 2003 Connecticut tax forms, instructions and publications:

3. What additional services should DRS offer in the future? (Rate the following in the order of their importance to you.) (1 = most important — 4 = least important)

Direct Payment of Tax Due for paper returns 1 2 3 4

Other: 1 2 3 4

4. Additional suggestions or comments?

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT LIMITATION WORKSHEET

Important: Enter the amount from **Form CT-1040EZ, Schedule 1 EZ - Credit for Property Taxes Paid on Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle**, Line 23 on Line 25, and **do not complete this worksheet if your filing status is:**

- Single and your Connecticut AGI is **\$54,500 or less**
- Married Filing Jointly and your Connecticut AGI is **\$100,500 or less**
- Married Filing Separately and your Connecticut AGI is **\$50,250 or less**
- Head of Household and your Connecticut AGI is **\$78,500 or less**

Otherwise, complete the following:

1. Enter the amount reported on Form CT-1040EZ, Schedule 1 EZ , Line 23	1.	
2. Credit allowed (not subject to limitation)	2.	100.00
3. Subtract Line 2 from Line 1	3.	
4. Enter the decimal amount for your filing status and Connecticut AGI from the Limitation Table exactly as it appears below. (If zero, stop here. Your credit is not limited.)	4.	
5. Multiply Line 3 by Line 4. Enter the result here and on Form CT-1040EZ, Schedule 1 EZ , Line 24.	5.	

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT LIMITATION TABLE

Use your filing status on the front of your tax return and your Connecticut AGI - Form CT-1040EZ, Line 3.

Example 1: If your filing status is Single and your Connecticut AGI is \$55,000, enter .10 on Line 4.

Example 2: If your filing status is Married filing jointly and your Connecticut AGI is \$121,000 enter .30 on Line 4.

Example 3: If your filing status is Single and your Connecticut AGI is \$54,500, do not complete this worksheet.

SINGLE			MARRIED FILING JOINTLY		
If you are Single and your Connecticut AGI is:			If you are Married filing jointly and your Connecticut AGI is:		
More Than	Less Than or Equal to	Decimal Amount	More Than	Less Than or Equal to	Decimal Amount
\$0	\$54,500	0	\$0	\$100,500	0
\$54,500	\$64,500	.10	\$100,500	\$110,500	.10
\$64,500	\$74,500	.20	\$110,500	\$120,500	.20
\$74,500	\$84,500	.30	\$120,500	\$130,500	.30
\$84,500	\$94,500	.40	\$130,500	\$140,500	.40
\$94,500	\$104,500	.50	\$140,500	\$150,500	.50
\$104,500	\$114,500	.60	\$150,500	\$160,500	.60
\$114,500	\$124,500	.70	\$160,500	\$170,500	.70
\$124,500	\$134,500	.80	\$170,500	\$180,500	.80
\$134,500	\$144,500	.90	\$180,500	\$190,500	.90
\$144,500	and up	1.00	\$190,500	and up	1.00
MARRIED FILING SEPARATELY			HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD		
If you are Married filing separately and your Connecticut AGI is:			If you are Head of household and your Connecticut AGI is:		
More Than	Less Than or Equal to	Decimal Amount	More Than	Less Than or Equal to	Decimal Amount
\$0	\$50,250	0	\$0	\$78,500	0
\$50,250	\$55,250	.10	\$78,500	\$88,500	.10
\$55,250	\$60,250	.20	\$88,500	\$98,500	.20
\$60,250	\$65,250	.30	\$98,500	\$108,500	.30
\$65,250	\$70,250	.40	\$108,500	\$118,500	.40
\$70,250	\$75,250	.50	\$118,500	\$128,500	.50
\$75,250	\$80,250	.60	\$128,500	\$138,500	.60
\$80,250	\$85,250	.70	\$138,500	\$148,500	.70
\$85,250	\$90,250	.80	\$148,500	\$158,500	.80
\$90,250	\$95,250	.90	\$158,500	\$168,500	.90
\$95,250	and up	1.00	\$168,500	and up	1.00

CONNECTICUT TAX ASSISTANCE

FOR TAX INFORMATION

- Visit the DRS Web site at:
www.drs.state.ct.us
- Call CONN-TAX:
1-800-382-9463 (in-state) or
860-297-5962 (from anywhere)

TTY, TDD, and Text Telephone users only may transmit inquiries 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling 860-297-4911.

Personal taxpayer assistance is available during business hours listed below. Extended hours are available. Call CONN-TAX or visit our Web site for details.

- Write to:
Department of Revenue Services
Taxpayer Services Division
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford CT 06106-5032

FORMS AND PUBLICATIONS

May be obtained 24 hours a day, seven days a week by using any of the following resources:

- **Internet**
Preview and download forms and publications from the DRS Web site at: www.drs.state.ct.us
- **DRS TaxFax**
Call 860-297-5698 from the handset attached to your fax machine and select from the menu; or
- **Telephone**
From a touch-tone phone call:
1-800-382-9463 (in-state) and select **Option 2**, or 860-297-4753 (from anywhere).

WALK-IN OFFICES

For free assistance or forms, visit our offices from Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For pre-recorded directions to DRS offices, call CONN-TAX and press 6. If you require special accommodations, please advise the DRS representative.

BRIDGEPORT

10 Middle Street
203-336-7890

HAMDEN

3074 Whitney Avenue, Bldg. #2
203-287-8243

HARTFORD

25 Sigourney Street
860-297-5962

NORWICH

2 Cliff Street
860-889-2669

WATERBURY

Rowland State Government Center
55 West Main Street, Suite 100
203-805-6789

ELECTRONIC FILING OPTIONS

File your return over the Internet using WebFile. Visit:

www.drs.state.ct.us

File your return using a touch-tone telephone by calling:

860-692-9787

File your federal and Connecticut returns together using *e-file!* Visit:

www.irs.gov/efile

Check this booklet for additional details!

For questions about **federal taxes**, contact the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) at: 1-800-829-1040 or visit: www.irs.gov
To order **federal tax forms**, call: 1-800-829-3676.

STATEWIDE SERVICES

For information on statewide services and programs, visit the ConneCT Web site at: www.state.ct.us

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services is to administer the tax laws of the State of Connecticut and collect the tax revenues in the most cost effective manner; achieve the highest level of voluntary compliance through accurate, efficient, and courteous customer services; and perform in a manner which instills public confidence in the integrity, and fairness of the state's tax programs.

Department of Revenue Services
State of Connecticut
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford CT 06106-5032